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## Manager's Newsletter

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**Town Council Highlights from June 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

- Council approved a budget amendment to fund the annual Sand Fence Project. This funding is a 100% match of monies for materials to stabilize the protective berm line on the oceanfront.
- Council approved grant funding for Tropical Storm Ida from a 75% match in Disaster Grant funds from NC-DENR.
- Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding with RPC Contracting that will allow the Town to purchase diesel and gasoline from RPC before, during, and after a storm event.
- Council approved CrowderGulf as the towns Post Storm Debris Clean Up and Street Repair/Reconstruction contractor and Sanderling Construction as the Post Storm Facility Repair contractor.
- Six public hearings were on the agenda:
  1. A public hearing was held for the FY 2010-2011 Town Budget of \$6,404,043. No one spoke on this matter and the budget was approved.
  2. A conditional use permit to establish a home occupation for Adams Towing in a Beach Residential zoning district at 3805 Keepers Way. Council did not approve.
  3. A text amendment to amend the Town Code to permit open air markets as a conditional use in the Beach Commercial district and subject to certain conditions. Council denied this text amendment.
  4. A conditional use permit to establish an open air market at the former Foreman's Lumber property on 4100 N. Croatan Highway. Since the above text amendment was denied the public hearing for this conditional use permit was not heard.
  5. A conditional use permit to establish a veterinary hospital in Unit 9 of the Ocean Plaza shopping center. Council approved.

6. A conditional use permit to establish a produce stand within the existing shed on the north side of the Handee Hugo's gas station. Council approved.
- Council approved a \$500 contribution to NC 20. NC 20 is an organization that began with the opposition to property insurance rate increase in 2009. These monies are used to provide funding for lobbyists to work on coastal issues.
  - Council approved a resolution requesting allocation of monies for the North Carolina Department of Transportation's participation in a storm drainage study with the Town of Kitty Hawk.
  - Council approved a right-of-way encroachment agreement with North Carolina Department of Transportation. After this agreement is approved and signed then the Town may proceed with construction of a multi-use path on E. Kitty Hawk Road.
  - Council endorsed Town of Kitty Devil Hills commissioner Bob Peele to represent Dare County towns on the Albemarle Regional Solid Waster Management Authority.
  - Council approved the reappointment of Oscar Northen, Dick Fagan, and Craig Garriss to the Planning Board for a two year term. Oscar Northen and Tina Tice will serve another one year term as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.
  - Council approved the reappointment of Earl Taylor, Barb Connery, and John Richeson to the Board of Adjustment for a three year term. Earl Taylor and Barb Connery will serve another one year term as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.
  - Council approved the reappointment of Ricky Brake and Bill Tomlinson to a four year term on the Recreation Committee.

### **Mulch for Town Residents**

For any Town of Kitty Hawk resident that is interested there is free mulch available. The mulch is for the taking and is located at the Recycling Center on Bob Perry Road.

### **Kitty Hawk Fire Department News**

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary Yard Sale on May 29 was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who donated items and attended on the busy holiday weekend.

### **Training**

#### Extrication/Vehicle Stabilization

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department recently participated in a vehicle stabilization class conducted by David Pease of Emergency Apparatus. The subject of this class was the new vehicle extrication X-struts that were purchased by the Kitty Hawk Fire Department to enhance the safety of firefighters and victims involved in motor vehicle accidents.

#### Joint Training with Southern Shores

A joint training drill was recently conducted with the Southern Shores Fire Department. The drill was Located at Wal-Mart in Kitty Hawk and consisted of joint team training on building

fireground operations. The drills that were conducted included FDC hookup operations, aerial and ground ladder operations, ventilation operations, and incident command operations. The joint training was designed so that both fire departments would become familiar with required fireground operations on buildings in both districts and to better work as a single unit during emergency operations. The Kitty Hawk Fire Department would like to thank all who participated in the training from both towns.

## **Emergency Incidents – May 2010**

During the month of May 2010, there were 51 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Automatic/Mutual Aid	4
Medical calls	26
Brush or brush and grass mixture fire	1
Vehicle accident with injuries	3
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident	1
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	1
Watercraft rescue	1
Hazardous condition, other	1
Gas Leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	1
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
Accident, potential accident, other	1
Assist invalid	1
Good intent call, other	1
Dispatched and cancelled enroute	3
No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	1
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	3

## **Kitty Hawk Ocean Rescue 2010 Staff Review**

### **Terry Sheehy - 8th year KHOR Supervisor**

- Resides in Outer Banks, NC
- Full-time Lieutenant for Dare County Emergency Services
- Graduated from Davidson County Community College with Associate Degree in Emergency Medical Sciences
- Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic and an instructor in Advanced Emergency Medical Courses

### **Sam Crist - 3rd year Supervisor**

- Resides in Franklin, TN
- Graduated in 2009 from High Point University with a B.S. in Exercise Science and Kinesiology
- Attended National Outdoor Leadership School's Wilderness Medical Institute where he received his

- national registry Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
- For his senior project in College, Sam created an exercise program specific to the ocean lifeguard called the Functionally Efficient and Biomechanically Productive Training Program

### **Joey Glaser-Reich - 2nd year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- Rising senior at Brown University in Providence, RI
- Anticipates joining the Coast Guard after college with the goal of becoming a Helicopter Rescue Swimmer
- Certified as a First Responder

### **Casey Pisano - 2nd year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in the Town of Hobe Sound, Florida
- Rising senior at High Point University in High Point, NC
- Swims for High Point University
- Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Basic

### **Justin Hoffer - 2nd year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in Portsmouth, VA
- Attending Tidewater Community College to obtain his Fire Science Degree
- Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
- Desires to become a firefighter/paramedic where he will be the 5th generation in his family

### **Mike Massaro - 2nd year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in Charlottesville, VA, but spent his winter in Breckenridge, CO
- Graduated in 2009 from University of Virginia with a B.S. in Psychology
- Attended National Outdoor Leadership School's Wilderness Medical Institute where he received his national registry Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
- Played lacrosse for UVA Club Team that won the 2009 National Championship

### **Brett Kennedy - 2nd year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in Salem, Virginia
- Attending Radford University
- Certified as a First Responder
- Competed in the Smithfield Sprint Triathlon in 2010

### **Scott Brunner - 1st year KHOR**

- Resident of Fort Mill, South Carolina
- Graduated from Wichita State University in 1996 with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering
- Left his job at Jacobson Textron Company where he was a Senior Project Design Engineer for turf mowers to pursue his dream of being an Ocean Guard and to fulfill his passion for fitness
- Competed in 2007 Ford Ironman and 2008 Boston Marathon

### **Jimmy Davis - 4th year KHOR Guard**

- Resides on the Outer Banks, NC
- Full-time firefighter with Nags Head Fire Department with 15 years experience and over 20 years in Emergency Services
- Worked for KHOR as a guard and supervisor from 2005-2007 and continued his ocean rescue service as Chief Lifeguard for National Park Service in 2008-2009, returning to Kitty Hawk this year
- Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic and Firefighter

**Matt Bacon- 4th year KHOR Guard**

- Resides in Williamsburg, VA
- Graduated from Gettysburg College with a B.S. in Anthropology in 2009
- Became a full-time firefighter with The City of Newport News last year
- Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic and Firefighter

**Stephanie Gillaspie- 4th year KHOR Guard**

- Resides on the Outer Banks, NC, but originally from New Hampshire
- Graduated from Plymouth State University in New Hampshire with a B.S. in Environmental Biology
- Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
- Plans to attend ECU for a Master's Degree in Education

**Planning Board Meeting Summary - June 10, 2010**

At its meeting on June 10, 2010, the Kitty Hawk Planning Board reviewed the site plan for the proposed Dare County Park to be located at the intersection of W. Kitty Hawk Road and Midgett Road. The recreational facilities would include a fenced dog park enclosing nearly an acre, a skateboard park, a children's playground, a picnic pavilion, bathrooms, walking trails, and a parking lot. The proposed park would be constructed and operated by Dare County. After evaluating the amount of parking proposed for the site, the Board members voted unanimously to recommend approval of the site plan to Town Council. The site plan will be scheduled for review by the Town Council at its meeting on July 6, 2010.

Next, the Planning Board invited John Bone, Executive Vice-President with the Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce, to share his thoughts about the status and trends of the business community on the Outer Banks. Mr. Bone shared his concerns about significant declines in the construction and real estate industries over the past few years. He added his opinion that these sectors of our economy may improve slowly over the next decade, but are unlikely to ever reach the levels they were at during peak years in the mid-2000's. Mr. Bone noted that the tourism industry has held its own and provided stability for our economy over the past few years. Although they have faced challenges, hotels/motels, vacation rentals, restaurants, and retail stores have generally been able to weather the difficult economy so far. Mr. Bone spoke about several ways that the Chamber of Commerce is proposing to help diversify the area's economy and improve the economic outlook in the future.

After Planning Director Joe Heard mentioned a conflict with the Board's scheduled meeting in August, the Planning Board opted to change the date of that meeting to August 12, 2010.

Finally, Board member Dick Fagan discussed a concern that the Town's elected officials are not involved during the administrative review whenever a new business moves into an existing commercial property. Occasionally, such changes will result in minor amendments to the approved site plan. Presently, this review is conducted by the Planning & Inspections staff. After receiving some feedback, Mr. Fagan said that he will develop a more formal proposal for consideration at a future Planning Board meeting.

## **May Building Permit Report**

The Town's Planning and Inspections Department issued thirty eight (38) building permits totaling \$1,771,518 in May 2010. Ten (10) commercial permits were issued valued at \$1,524,457. Twenty Eight (28) residential building permits were issued valued at \$247,061. The full report for May can be viewed at the [Monthly Building Permit Report](#) found on the Town Website.

## **Town Offices Closed**

The Town of Kitty Hawk Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, July 5th in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

## **Opportunities to Participate**

### **Town Council Meeting**

Tuesday, July 6, 2010 at 6 p.m.

### **Planning Board Meeting**

Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 6 p.m.

*(All Meetings to be held at Kitty Hawk Town Hall unless otherwise noted.)*